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SUBJECT: POST SHIPMENT VERIFICATION FOR LSC PAVLODAR OIL  
REFINERY/PETROCHEMICAL PLANT. EXPORT LICENCE NUMBER D306081

REFTELS: USDOC 00036, USDOC 00226, BIS (THEOCHARIDES)  
2/16/05 and 4/19/05 EMAILS

¶11. CS ALMATY SENIOR COMMERCIAL OFFICER MITCHEL AUERBACH AND INDUSTRY SPECIALIST OKSANA CHUKREYEVA CONDUCTED A PSV AT THE LSC PAVLODAR OIL REFINERY/PETROCHEMICAL PLANT, ON APRIL 26, 2005, AS REQUESTED IN REFTEL USDOC 00036. THIS PSV WAS CARRIED OUT REGARDING THE PURCHASE OF A MIKRON INFRARED THERMO IMAGING CAMERA USED TO DETECT FAILURES ON POWER AND TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT IN THE PAVLODAR PLANT. SHIPMENT OF THIS CAMERA WAS MADE UNDER EXPORT LICENSE NUMBER D306081, RECEIVED BY MIKRON INFRARED, INC., 16 THRONTON ROAD, OAKLAND, NY 07436.

¶12. TO CONDUCT THIS POST SHIPMENT VERIFICATION CHECK, THE SCO AND INDUSTRY SPECIALIST VISITED THE FACILITIES OF LSC PAVLODAR OIL REFINERY/PETROCHEMICAL PLANT, IN PAVLODAR, KAZAKHSTAN, AND MET WITH MR. ALEXANDER VIKTOROVICH, THE MANAGER OF TECHNICAL SERVICES AT THIS FACILITY.

¶13. POST WAS ABLE TO SCHEDULE THE VISIT WITHOUT DELAY FROM THIS COMPANY, AND THE SCO AND MS. CHUKREYEVA EXPERIENCED NO RELUCTANCE ON THE PART OF MR. VIKTOROVICH TO ANSWER QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS PSV CHECK. THE INTERVIEWS WERE CONDUCTED ON LSC PAVLODAR OIL REFINERY/PETROCHEMICAL PLANT PREMISES. THE MIKRON THERMO IMAGING CAMERA WAS IN SIGHT AND VIEWED BY THE PSV TEAM, AND THEY VERIFIED THE NAME AND IDENTIFICATION OF THE ITEM BY THE DESCRIPTION LISTED ON THE LICENSE. DURING THEIR VISIT, THE PSV CHECK TEAM EXPLAINED THE IMPORTANCE OF COMPLYING WITH ALL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE LICENSES AS WELL AS THE RIDERS AND CONDITIONS ATTACHED TO THE LICENSE.

¶14. RECOMMENDATION: ALL INDICATIONS WERE THAT THIS TECHNOLOGY HAS BEEN USED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE EXPORT LICENSE AND THAT THE LSC PAVLODAR REFINERY/PETROCHEMICAL PLANT CAN BE CONSIDERED A RELIABLE RECIPIENT OF SENSITIVE U.S. TECHNOLOGY.

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